

COMMERCIAL.

Monetary.

The money and stock market during the week have undergone no material change. The supply of money is abundant, and the Banks are discounting a sufficient amount to meet the wants of the business portion of our community, and we hear of very little paper being offered on the street.

In Exchange, there is little more movement, though the rates remain unchanged, viz: £ 100 = \$160 1/2.

Stocks are dull, without change in prices, and we have heard of no sales of importance this week.

Land Warrants are quoted last at \$11 1/10 for 40 acres, \$6 1/2 for 20, \$3 1/2 for 10, and \$2 1/2 for 5.

New York, March 17.—The foreign news has had but a slight effect upon stocks. Government stocks were active and firm. Large sales of the new loan were made at 103 1/2 and 103 1/4.

A large business was done in Missouri sixes at 54 1/2, yesterday morning's price, and below that of the previous day. Tennessee sixes advanced; a small lot of North Carolina brought 99.

The amount of bullion taken by the Europa today was \$360,000; by the Jura, \$150,000. Cotton has advanced a fourth to three-eighths, and is now at 17 1/2. The market is showing an advancing market there and an active demand.

The Ministerial explanations in the House of Lords have produced a better feeling in financial circles, and hopes of peace predominate.

Sales of Stock in Richmond, March 18.

Virginia six per cent, 40 years to run, no sales at the Treasury.

Richmond City Bonds, last sales 97 1/2, at 97 1/2.

Virginia Bank Stock, per \$100—50 1/2.

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The Artesian Well at Louisville, Ky.

A correspondent of the Rochester Union furnishes to that paper a description of the Artesian well of the Messrs. Dupont, at Louisville, Ky. He says:

The well was commenced in April, 1857, with the intention of obtaining a supply of pure water for the extensive paper mill of the Messrs. C. I. & A. V. Dupont. The boring was commenced from the bottom of one of the wells of the mill, and continued to the depth of seventy-six feet, the diameter of the bore being five inches. At this point the bore was reduced to three inches in diameter and continued to its present depth, two thousand and eighty-six feet. The first water which reached the surface was found at a depth of one thousand six hundred and ninety-five feet from the surface, rising with considerable force, but not in sufficient quantity for the purposes intended.

The well discharges water at the rate of about two hundred and twenty-seven gallons per minute, and with a force sufficient to throw an inch stream from sixty to ninety feet in height. The water rising in pipes, finds its level one hundred and seventy feet above the surface.

The water is a very strongly mineral, and is already shipped to Boston, New York, and also to England and France, in large quantities.

Charley Saunders, a colored man, dispenses glasses of water on a tin tray to the numerous visitors. What Stephen and Alfred were to the Mammoth Cave, Charley is to the Artesian Well, with this difference, that the latter ignores the question of geology, and confines himself strictly to matters of chemistry and hygiene.

Inquired of Charley what the probable effect would be upon one unaccustomed to drinking the water. With a smile that would do credit to many an M.D., he relieved himself of the following:

"The product of the water is salt commensurate with calcium magnesian, professed with magnesian of iodine, and with a very little calcium carbonic acid gas, substantiates the body of this water, and makes it harmonious with the system, unvarying all the life from the system, at the same time communicating to the most palatable appetite. It acts melodiously on the liver, and judiciously on the kidneys, diametrically cleansing the whole nervous system without sedation. To make an artesian cocktail, take thirty-five drops of mineral spirits, with a little water, and a small dose of mint in the bottom with a little of ice cream set up in the diameter with a little nutmeg on the surplus, and take internally. It will resist diagonally to the uterus, parts, confining the pressure of the diaphragm congenially. It debilitates whiskey spontaneously."

Sudden Death—Sad and Startling.

We are called upon to announce one of the most startling and sudden deaths that has ever occurred in our knowledge. Miss Theodosia Smith, daughter of Geo. P. Smith, a young lady of 19 years, peculiarly winning by her cheerfulness and vivacity, was in attendance last evening (Monday, 14th) upon the singing rehearsal under Mr. Hall, in the basement of St. Paul's Church. She had been, during the evening, more than ordinarily cheerful and happy; the life and delight of her mates. Suddenly, she had some affection of one foot, and in a laughing manner said her foot was asleep. Her friends told her to get up, but she said she could not, adding, "It is, I fear, nothing but a laugh. When assisting her, she fell back unconscious, and never revived. She died about 12 o'clock."

This attack was just at the close of the rehearsal, about 9 o'clock. She was carried home in a carriage, but never spoke again. The physicians called, say that there was enlargement of the lungs, and that she died from paralysis of the lungs.—*Chapel Hill Herald.*

CINCINNATI MARKET, March 18.—There is a good demand, principally from the South, for mess pork, and sales are readily made at \$18 per barrel. Bulk meats are buoyant at 61/2 cts. Sales of shoulders and sides abundant, at prices varying from 7 1/2 to 9 1/2. Lard, in barrels, at 11 1/2. Whiskey is firmer, with sales at 25 cents per gallon.

Notwithstanding the unsettled condition of Europe, the property of the cotton manufacturing interest, in Great Britain, so far, remains unshaken. The exports of cotton cloths and yarns, for the month of January, were \$5,400,000 greater than for the same period in 1858.

NEW ORLEANS, March 16.—The total increase in the receipts of cotton at all the ports up to the present time, as compared with the same period last year, is \$80,000 bales.

1859. ALEXANDRIA. 1859.

THIRD MARCH. SUN SET. MOON'S PHASES.

19 Saturday..... 6 1/2 5 50..... D. H. M.

20 Sunday..... 6 0 6 Last 2nd 9 14 A.

21 Monday..... 5 59 6 1 New 1st 3 10 P.

22 Tuesday..... 5 58 6 2 First 2nd 3 10 P.

23 Wednesday..... 5 56 6 4 HIGH WATER.

24 Thursday..... 5 55 6 5 MARCH 19, 7, 23m.

MARCH LIST.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA—MARCH 18.

ARRIVED.

Sch. Gen. Wm. Jones, Baltimore, to J. C. Newell, and to M. E. H. H. H.

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BY YESTERDAY EVENING'S MAILS.

NOMINATION OF HON. C. J. FAULKNER.—The Democratic Convention which met in Winchester on Wednesday, nominated Hon. C. J. Faulkner for reelection to Congress, from Berkeley District.—The Winchester Republicans say the nomination was effected, on the first ballot as follows: Whole vote cast, 7,645; necessary to a choice, 5,000; For Charles J. Faulkner, of Berkeley 5,172; For Peter B. Forst, of Page, 1,309; for Charles Douglas, of Loudoun, 561; for Thos. M. Ishell, of Jefferson, 342. A delegation from Harpers Ferry, and several gentlemen from Hampshire and other counties, withdrew formally from the convention, refusing to be bound by its proceedings, and there is every reason to believe that Faulkner will not get the vote of the party this Spring.

APPOINTMENTS BY THE GOVERNOR.—Col. Edmund J. O'Brien, of the 16th Regiment, Barbours, to be Brigadier General of the 20th Brigade, vice Gen. Isaac Smith, dec'd. To rank as such from the 9th day of March 1859.

Col. Wm. H. Harman, of the 16th Regiment, Augusta, to be Brigadier General of the 15th Brigade, vice Gen'l Douglas B. Layne, resigned. To rank as such from the 10th day of March, 1859.

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LOCAL ITEMS.

THE FISHERIES.—About 1,300 Shad arrived at the fish wharf yesterday, morning 105 of which were from the Ferry landing fished by Mr. Alexander Arnold. They were of very fine quality, and the quantity is considered good for so early in the season. Shad sold from \$18 to \$22 per hundred, and bunch fish from \$18 to 20 cents. Operations have not commenced at the lower landings but they will all probably be fishing by the 25th of this month.

INDICTMENT OF DANIEL E. SICKLES.—The grand jury yesterday afternoon concluded their deliberations in the case of Mr. Sickles, and brought in an indictment against him for murder in the first degree. The jury also had under consideration the case of Mr. Butterworth. They examined several witnesses, among others, Hon. R. J. Walker, Hon. William M. Gwin, and Mr. Woodbridge, but they did not examine Mr. B. himself. The result of the examination was the exoneration of Mr. Butterworth by almost a unanimous vote.—*Union.*

GEORGETOWN, D. C.—After quite a harmonious session of eight days, the Methodist Protestant Convention adjourned last night and most of the members started this morning en route for their fields of future labors.—*Quite a variety of important questions effecting the interest of the church were had under consideration during the session, all of which were discussed with a degree of ability, forcefulness, and concession, which was very commendable to the body. Many of the ministers who were in attendance have, by their gentlemanly and dignified deportment, and affectionate christian dispositions, quite endeared themselves to those of our people among whom they associated.*

AN INDIVIDUAL BY THE NAME OF WILLIAM OR CURTIS SMITH, captain of the canal boat Ann Eliza, belonging to the Messrs. Ritter, suddenly disappeared on Tuesday night, since which time nothing of his whereabouts has been heard. We learn that he had when last seen, a considerable amount of money, which he belonged to other persons. He is said to have remarked at the supper table at a restaurant near the market-house, on the night of his disappearance, that that was the last meal he ever intended to eat in Georgetown.—*Courier and Wash. Star.*

FAIRFAX CO. HOUSE.—We learn that Mr. E. R. Ford has exchanged the fine large brick mansion, lately purchased from Mr. Sangster, for the handsome residence of J. C. Cunningham, esq. Miss A. Halley having purchased, from Mr. Sangster, the property late in the occupancy of Mr. F. D. Richardson, the latter has removed to the "Cottage," belonging to H. W. Thomas, esq.—*Fairfax News.*

The mechanics in Washington, thrown out of employment, by the curtailment of the appropriations for the public buildings, will, in some measure, have work, in consequence of the erection of a number of dwelling houses and other buildings on private account. Several pieces of property in Georgetown, have lately changed hands at fair prices.

Bismarck Jones will preach every evening next week except Saturday, in Grace Church, at half-past seven o'clock.

In the Washington Criminal Court, yesterday, Howard Brooks, alias Sands, charged with kidnapping a colored boy, belonging to Mrs. Susan Evans, was found not guilty.

Messrs Taylor and Hutchison have nearly disposed of their stock of Dry Goods, but have yet remaining some very handsome articles which they are selling at low prices.—*We regret that these gentlemen have determined to remove from this city, but as their interests demand the change, we wish them every success when they shall be established in Washington.*

Our attention has been called by a friend and subscriber in Baltimore, to the delay in receiving the Gazette, in that city. He, and others, will perceive that it is no fault of ours. As soon as our paper goes to press, (which is as early, every evening, as possible), and it can be put up for the subscribers by the mails, it is sent to the Post Office in this city, and we cannot possibly exercise further control in the matter. It is stated that as the mail does not leave here until 4 o'clock A. M., the papers deposited in the post office early in the night, or up to 10 o'clock, at least, ought certainly to be sent on North. We will make representations to the obliging Post Master in this place—who, with his assistants, are always willing and anxious to accommodate—and we doubt not, that for the future, the papers will be sent in the next morning's mail.

In my hurried notice of the criticism of the editor of the Virginia Sentinel upon my remarks at the late District Convention, I omitted one or two points, which I desire briefly to reply to now. The editor of the Sentinel controverts the statement, that while Geo. Smith was speaking, the Democratic procession came into King street. He says, "But the utter mistake, the total error of the statement, shows in what mistis time has enveloped his memory, &c." Perhaps when the annexed statements are read, it may be equally apparent, that Mr. R. M. Smith has been evaded "in the hazy atmosphere of dreamland." What is the evidence that the editor of the Sentinel brings to support his assertion that the Democrats in procession, were not marching in King street before the Governor had concluded his speech?—hear him: "It so chanced the writer of this (editor of Va. Sentinel) heard the most of that Marshall House speech. Returning with a friend, he saw a large crowd in front of the Marshall House. Gov. Smith was speaking."—*W. H. The editor and his friend could go far in the Lyceum to see Marshall House, could stand there and hear the Governor make his speech, but the meeting at Lyceum Hall, could not adjourn, come into the street, form a line, march one square, turn into King street, and send up a defiant shout.—*

I admit the editor of the Sentinel, ought to possess the capacity of rapid locution, but at the same time cannot compels me to say, that for a gentleman of his intellect, he is the slowest walker I ever knew; and the Governor, to make a brief address; but I submit also that the persons at Lyceum Hall, possessed the energy to accomplish at least one half as much as the editor and the Governor. Allow me to ask the editor of the Sentinel, when the people read the subjoined statements, whose memory will they regard as being affected by the dim shadows of the past? But says the editor, the Governor's remarks were general, brief, and of social

not political tenor—adapted to any collection of citizens." Here again the "fading memory" of the editor is seen at fault. Did he not urge them to go to the polls and vote?—that was the day of battle, and the time of voting had arrived, &c. If this was not political will the editor please state what is? But I ask again, did he know, did the editor of the Sentinel know, to what political party this collection of citizens belonged? If he did, his position is established, and 'tis the "fading memory" of the editor of the Sentinel, that's at fault. 'Tis the gathering shadows of defeat, that lowering o'er the house of Smith, obscures the past, and creates a wish that is father to the thought.

Again, the Editor says, "Mr. Massy, seems disposed to make the great use of Governor Smith, he uses strong terms to describe his relations to the Know-Nothing, &c." Perhaps I do. I confess that I thought his relations were very intimate. I know his name was printed upon our tickets. I know that there was among the American party here, at least, a universal conviction, that Gov. Smith would accept a nomination from the Winchester Convention, should it be tendered him. I do not say he would have done so, but I repeat his relations were sufficiently close to create the above conviction in the minds of the American party.

Why should the Editor of the Sentinel volunteer to deny that Governor Smith did not know the political character of the party he was addressing? Did not Gov. Smith, in his Orange Court House speech, defend the American platform, in able and eloquent terms, and did he not commend in high terms the principles it contained?

Allow me here to introduce the testimony of a warm friend of Gov. Smith, as apologetic of Gov. S. for his Marshall House speech. "But it was a subject of grave rebuke that the Governor addressed. The Know-Nothing party was a new organization, a new party, and at the time of the address in question numbered about 900 votes out of 1400 in the city and county. To whom then did the Governor respond? To whom should he have responded? To the Know-Nothing and none others. They were a large, respectable and intelligent party of freemen, &c." Now the editor will please bear in mind that this writer from whom I quote, was a friend of the Governor, and that he was charged with the duty of the Legislature, McKinney & Co. Managers. To be drawn in public, under the sworn supervision of two Commissioners, W. R. Symons and J. M. Prentiss, in the City of Savannah, Georgia.

TICKETS ONLY \$10.—ITALY, QUARTERS, AND EIGHTHS IN PROPORTION.

To be drawn each Saturday in APRIL, 1859.

CLASS 13, to be drawn April 2nd.